

D'YA EVER NOTICE THAT WHEN SOME MEN REACH THE TOP THEY WANT TO PULL THE LADDER UP AFTER THEM?

Manager Griffith Takes Squad Out for First Real Hustling

# THE TIMES' COMPLETE SPORTING PAGE

"Dutch" Peck, Washington Boy, Honored for Basketball Class

By ARNOT

MILLER EXPECTING TO COMPLETE ALL BIG BOUT DETAILS

## These Cities Are After Big Bout

Now that Col. J. C. Miller has signed Jess Willard and Fred Fulton to battle for the world's heavyweight championship on July 4, he is busily engaged in cataloging offers for the contest. So far he has heard from the following cities:

New Orleans, La.  
Deming, N. M.  
San Antonio, Tex.  
Denver, Col.  
New Haven, Conn.  
Cheyenne, Wyo.  
Cleveland, Ohio.  
Minneapolis, Minn.

CHICAGO, March 18.—Col. J. C. Miller, Oklahoma rancher, who has signed Jess Willard and Fred Fulton to battle for the world's heavyweight championship on July 4, expects to complete arrangements for a Willard-Fulton bout here today. Signing of the articles, Colonel Miller said, is all that remains to be done. This will be accomplished, he believed as soon as Mike Collins, manager of Fulton, arrives here.

Willard, Miller said, has agreed to fight for a percentage, while Fulton has been guaranteed \$50,000 for his end. A side bet of \$5,000 also has been agreed upon, so that if Fulton wins, his share will be \$25,000, while he will get \$15,000 if he loses.

Miller said he is not considering Jack Dempsey, the Pacific coast heavyweight, as a title contender. The inference here is that Willard has refused to consider Dempsey because of a belief that Jack Curley, erstwhile member of the Willard syndicate, has an interest in Dempsey's affairs.

NEW ORLEANS, March 18.—Matt Hinkel and Dominick Tortorich, promoters, today are still awaiting response to their \$100,000 bid for the proposed Willard-Fulton world champion prize fight. They wired their bid to Colonel Miller, holder of Willard's contract.

"We don't care how Willard and Fulton whack up that \$100,000 if our offer is accepted to stage the fight here," said Hinkel and Tortorich today.

FORT MYER BOXING ATTRACTING FANS FROM EVERY SIDE

Washington is waking up to the importance of the boxing carnival at Fort Myer Wednesday night, and it is likely that a big crowd will be there when the bell rings for the first clash of the evening. All the boxers, including Kid Williams, former world's bantamweight titleholder, are giving their services free of charge and the receipts will be used to purchase athletic equipment for District of Columbia soldiers now in the army.

The boxing show will be held at the riding hall of the post and almost 7,000 spectators can be accommodated. A raised ring has been built so that the boxing will be seen easily from every seat in the house.

In order to bring out the largest crowd and, therefore, get enough money to provide handsomely for the District boys, the highest priced seat is but \$2. A majority of the seats will cost \$1. Even smaller charges will be made to men in uniform.

Six six-round contests, with decisions in all of them, will make up the program. The two feature bouts will have Kid Williams, Baltimore's "Wolf Boy," who won the world's bantamweight championship from Johnny Coulton in California, opposing "Fighting Bob" Pershing, a rising young featherweight of the Monumental City, and Steve Flesener, the crack Baltimore featherweight, meeting Danny Frost, of England.

LAFAYETTE'S CAPTAIN SCORES 449 POINTS

A statistical analysis of the Lafayette basketball team for the season just closed shows the remarkable fact that William Hunter Anderson, who coached, captained and played forward for Lafayette, scored 90 per cent of all the points scored by the team in the course of the season.

The entire team scored a total of 787 points, as against 675 points by opponents. Of Lafayette's points, Anderson scored 449. One hundred and one of them were field goals and 247 foul goals.

In the course of the season 321 opportunities were given for shooting fouls, and the Lafayette leader made good on 247 of them, giving him the unusual record of having scored over 76 per cent of the chances throughout the entire basketball season.

VAETH TOPS THEM. Johnny Vaeth, of the Grand Central Palace team, averages better than 110 in the National Capital Basketball League, according to latest averages. M. Watson, of Palace, and Lewis, of the Royals, are tied for high game, with 147. McNickle, of the National Capital quint, has high set honors, with 381.

## How Do They Do It?



## GRIFFMEN BEGIN HUSTLE TO GET INTO CONDITION

### WHAT NEW GRIFF'S PROMISE FROM 1917 ENDEAVORS

Clark Griffith will have three new athletes in training at Augusta, Ga., this spring. This is what they did in 1917, indicating what may be expected next summer:

BERT SHOTTON, outfielder, Brownies—Hit for .224 in 118 games, getting 89 hits, totaling 103 bases and stealing 16 bases. Fielded for .923 in 107 games, ranking last among regular gardeners.

JOHNNY LAVAN, shortstop, Brownies—Hit for .239 in 118 games, getting 85 hits, totaling 103 bases and stealing 11 bases. Fielded for .923 in 110 games, ranking second last among regular shortfielders.

CASS, outfielder, Des Moines—outfielders in the Western League.

Hit for .284 in 146 games, getting 166 hits, totaling 198 bases and stealing 32 bases. Fielded for .940 in 146 games, ranking 33d in 46

By BRADLEY CHESTER,  
(Sporting Editor, Augusta Chronicle.)

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 18.—Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington baseball club, is on his job today and ordered out his entire team for morning practice at Warren Park. Intensive drilling will be the program twice a day until April 3, when the big leaguers are scheduled to battle the Atlanta Crackers, last year's Southern Association champions.

The Old Fox arrived here yesterday from Washington, accompanied by Walter Johnson, George McBride, Eddie Foster, Hank Shanks, and Johnny Rupley, a youngster who has played semi-professionally at Harrisburg, Pa. Clyde Milan, the veteran outfielder, came direct from his home and arrived shortly after the contingent from the Capital.

Bert Shotton and Johnny Lavan, the two players obtained by the Nationals from St. Louis in exchange for Pitcher Bert Gallia and \$15,000, and Sam Rice, the slugging outfielder, who was in the 200 class last year, are on their way from their homes and will arrive today. Ray Morgan, second baseman, missed the train which carried Griffith and his party from Washington, but is now on his way to Augusta.

The pitchers and catchers have been here a week and, beginning today, they will have an opportunity to show how they have limbered up their arm wings. Walter Johnson, alone of the pitchers, has not yet done any preliminary work, but he is always in condition, it will take only a few days' work for him to be ready to step into the box.

Should Have Good Year. Johnson, one of the highest paid pitchers in baseball and the best fast ball twirler in the big league, should have a better season this year than last. A year ago he lost many games through the inability of the club to hit behind him or through his team's ragged fielding. This year the Washington club, through the acquisition of Shotton and Lavan, will be more powerful offensively and defensively than in 1917. Naturally this will be a big factor in Johnson's favor.

Griffith was well pleased with the reports on the good condition of the pitchers. Mike Martin and Nick Altrock reported the heaving breeze to be in tip top shape so far as arm are concerned. A year ago Harry Harper could hardly lift his arm above his head. This year his salary is better, perhaps, than ever.

There were other pore men in the Washington camp a year ago, but up to date the Griffiths have escaped this bug-a-boo that haunts big league managers in the spring.

Start With Easy Work. It is Griffith's intention to work his infielders and outfielders easy the first few days they are here, but after that he will put them through a hard grind in order to have them in shape for the opening of the American League campaign. The Griffiths, along with other big league clubs, have a shorter time in which to train this year than in other years.

The Washington club will probably play several games with teams from Camp Hancock before starting North on April 2. The 109th artillery, which has a team made up of former professional ball players, wants to take on the Griffiths, and it is almost certain the game will be arranged. An effort may be made to schedule it a week from next Sunday under the auspices of army officers.

Griffith is agreeable to taking on all comers from the camps. The Washington manager is the man responsible for starting the bat and ball fund for the soldiers and sailors serving Uncle Sam. He has furnished the army with thousands of baseballs since last season, and much additional equipment.

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HARRY KRAUSS LEADS.

Harry Krauss, of the Royals, leads all the bowlers in the Washington Temple League, with an average of 188. Garrett, with 268, has high game honors, while Barber, also of the Royals, has high set honors with 381. The Aome team leads the circuit.

## Three Players Now in Sport Spotlight



Here's Jim Thorpe, the famous Sac Indian from Carlisle, who will get a real trial with the Giants this year in right field. McGraw thinks the Indian may blossom into a big leaguer this summer.

Here's Hans Lobert, once the fastest man in the National League when with the Cincinnati Reds under Clark Griffith. He has received his unconditional release from the Giants and will coach the West Point nine this spring.

## Local Colleges Watch Former Pitchers Work For Jobs in Big Show

Georgetown and Catholic University do not play against each other in athletics, but that doesn't stop them from being rivals.

Just now the two colleges are watching news from the big league training camps. Georgetown students are keeping their eyes on Johnny Murray, former box star of last season on the Hilltop, who is getting a trial with the Boston Braves.

The Catholic University lads out in Brookland are more than anxious over the doings of the Athletics because of the fact that Frank Pahey, a crack C. U. pitcher of last season, is performing for Connie Mack.

Oh, yes. There is still a lot of rivalry between the two colleges.

## SPORTS CUT SHORT

### GIANTS MAY QUIT TEXAS TO WORK AT HOT SPRINGS

MARLIN, Tex., March 18.—It is more than likely that the New York Giants will never return to Marlin for their spring training after this season. Hot Springs, Ark., has made a favorable impression upon "Muggsy" McGraw and the "Little Napoleon" is inclined to have his athletes work out in the Valley of Vapors next spring.

The city of Marlin has trained here for eleven years. The city of Marlin presented the ground used by the club to President Hempstead, but the Giants are under no obligation to remain. Hotel accommodations have always caused trouble and this spring finds no change in this respect.

### BILL LAMAR IS CERTAIN TO STICK WITH YANKEES

MARLIN, Ga., March 18.—Bill Lamar, the Baltimore outfielder, and "Truck" Hannah, the big backstop from Salt Lake, are practically certain of sticking with the Yankees this season. Judging from their showing in the first week of practice here, it is more difficult to judge of the other rookies.

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## PECK GETS HONOR OF SELECTION ON SECOND STAR TEAM

Raymond Peck, former Western High School basketball captain and a member of Penn's championship intercollegiate basketball team, is awarded second team honors in the first selection of all-star players of the season by J. Ross E. Kaufman, a Philadelphia scribe.

Penn was coached by Lon Jourdet and gained the intercollegiate basketball championship, winning nine out of ten games. The Penn team is also given Eastern title honors, as it recently defeated Syracuse, breaking the sixteen-straight-win record set by the Colt City lads.

Early in the season Syracuse defeated Penn on its own floor, and last Friday Penn hung it on the Syracuse team by 17 to 16. At neither game was Penn able to start its best players. Martin was out of the first game, and both Standard and Peck were just out of bed for the second contest.

The Philadelphia scribe picks Standard, Davis, and Martin, of Penn, for the first team, with Trimbles, of Princeton, and Kendall, of Cornell, as the other players. On the second team Van Slyck, of Yale; Sweeney, Penn; Flinn, Princeton; Latour, Columbia; and Peck, Penn, are chosen.

## RED SOX TAKE INITIAL VICTORY FROM DODGERS

The Boston Red Sox had no trouble winning their first exhibition game from the Brooklyn Dodgers at Hot Springs, Ark., yesterday, 11 to 1. The Red Sox collected sixteen hits, while only four were made off Bush, McCabe, Jayne, and Weyant.

The Browns routed Shreveport, 11 to 0, Sothorn, Devenport, and Bert Gallia giving but three hits among them.

The Cincinnati Reds narrowly escaped defeat at the hands of a soldier team at Camp Sheridan. They finally won, 4 to 3.

Joe Wood's single, with two out in the twelfth inning, gave the Indians a victory over New Orleans, 3 to 2. Wood played first base in good style.

## COLLEGES WITHOUT BASEBALL BATTLES DURING HOLIDAYS

Despite the fact that a gameless Easter week confronts the colleges here, coaches will begin the big drive during the next few days in putting the expert touches on college and high school baseball teams. For the first time in many a year, if not in the history of baseball in the District of Columbia, Easter week will find none of the Northern colleges visiting for games. Catholic University, Georgetown, and Maryland State have always entertained members of the Big Four, as well as the strongest college teams in the North.

This year it is a different story. None of the big teams will journey down into this part of the country, and the local colleges will battle it out among themselves. Games have been arranged with various camp teams, while the colleges in the vicinity of Washington have been scheduled in place of Harvard, Cornell, Princeton, Yale, Lafayette, Brown, Lehigh, Swarthmore, and the other big ones formerly on the list.

Fair weather during the week should advance the teams to a considerable degree. Maryland State is expected to get out for its first workout today. Georgetown, Catholic University, and Gaieland, have done some work on the diamond. The Hilltoppers are further advanced than the others.

The high school and prep school teams make their first real bids for practice today. None of the teams has done anything to speak of to date. The first game of the season is set for Wednesday, when Western and the Georgetown Preps are due for an engagement.

## BAPTIE SETS FIGURES IN RACE WITH LAMY

CHICAGO, March 18.—Norval Baptie, champion ice skater, today holds two new world records as the result of his match here with Edward Lamy.

Baptie set a new mark of 23.4 seconds for the 440-yard dash and skated the mile in the record time of 2:53.4. He defeated Lamy in three races.



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